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SUBJECT: Cardboard and Paper Mill in Slacki Vrh, Slovenia

1. The Cardboard and Paper Mill in Slacki Vrh (Suessenberg), lies south of the Mura River and has a funicular railway connecting it with the St. Ilj railroad station. The mill, formerly owned by SKESSLER, a Zepreb Jew, was nationalized in 1945 and is now under the jurisdiction of the Slovene Ministry of Lumber. Machinery of the mill, in general, is fairly old and worn. According to the five-year plan, the factory is scheduled to be enlarged by addition of a new paper manufacturing department, a new drying department, three new work shops, and a home, mess and sport field for the workers.

The mill has its own hydro-electric power station with three turbines, and during the winter months, or if the water level is low, two steam engines can be used to supply power.

The mill employs approximately 350 workers; the men receive an average of 16 Dinars per hour and the women average 10 Dinars per hour. The plant operates in three eight-hour shifts, and some of the factory workers live on the factory grounds.

2. Production:

Daily production for one eight-hour shift is as follows: .

- a. Cardboard, 1 to 10 mm. thick - 4800 sheets, or 320 rolls of 15 sheets each.
- b. Wrapping paper, weight 5 to 130 grams of gray, brown and white - 5000 kilos.
- c. Cement-bag paper, weight 5 to 80 grams - about 4000 kilos.
- d. Paper processed according to the natron-sulphat-sulphide system ( ☐ Comment: paper from sulfate or sulfite pulp is perhaps meant), - impermeable - quantity unspecified. 25X1
- e. Impermeable cardboard for packing of munitions - quantity unspecified.
- f. Semi-manufactured roofing felt - quantity unspecified.

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g. Semi-manufactured insulation paper used by the electrical industry - quantity unspecified.

3. Raw material:

Cellulose is supplied by the Celuloza Factory in Videm-Krsko; lumber, scrap paper, and rags are allotted from domestic sources by the Slovene Ministry of Lumber.

4. Personnel:

Managing Director	Anton PAUMAN, 42 years old, born in St. Ilj, worked in the Sladki Vrh mill from 1937 to 1941; was employed by the Tohndorf Aircraft Components plant in Graz from 1941 to 1943. A former lieutenant in the Royal Yugoslav Reserve, he is a member of the OF and Slovene CP; receives a salary of 5000 Dinars per month.
Asst. Director	Franc CENCIC, 55 years old, born in Selmica, connected with the Sladki Vrh mill for 30 years. He is president of the plant's Workers Union, and member of the OF and CP.
Head bookkeeper	Konrad RADERSAK, 45 years old, born in Ptuj; employed in the Sladki Vrh mill for 28 years.

5. Plant Identification:

(The following numbers correspond with those on attached map).

1. Administration building, also containing director's living quarters.
2. Main factory building, one-story high, 47 meters long, with a grey cement tile roof. Following are the departments contained in this building:
  - A. Cellulose grinding section, equipped with seven hollanders for boiling and stirring the paper pulp. Two cellulose grinding machines, type Kallergans, are located in the basement.
  - B. Wrapping paper department equipped with one German paper machine 18 m. long, of unspecified type.
  - C. Natron paper products department equipped with one German machine of unspecified type purchased in 1936.
  - D. Power plant.
  - E. Power plant.
  - G. Paper storage department.
  - H. Chemical laboratory.
  - I. Finishing department equipped with two paper-winding machines and two cutting machines.
  - J. Hydro-electric power station.

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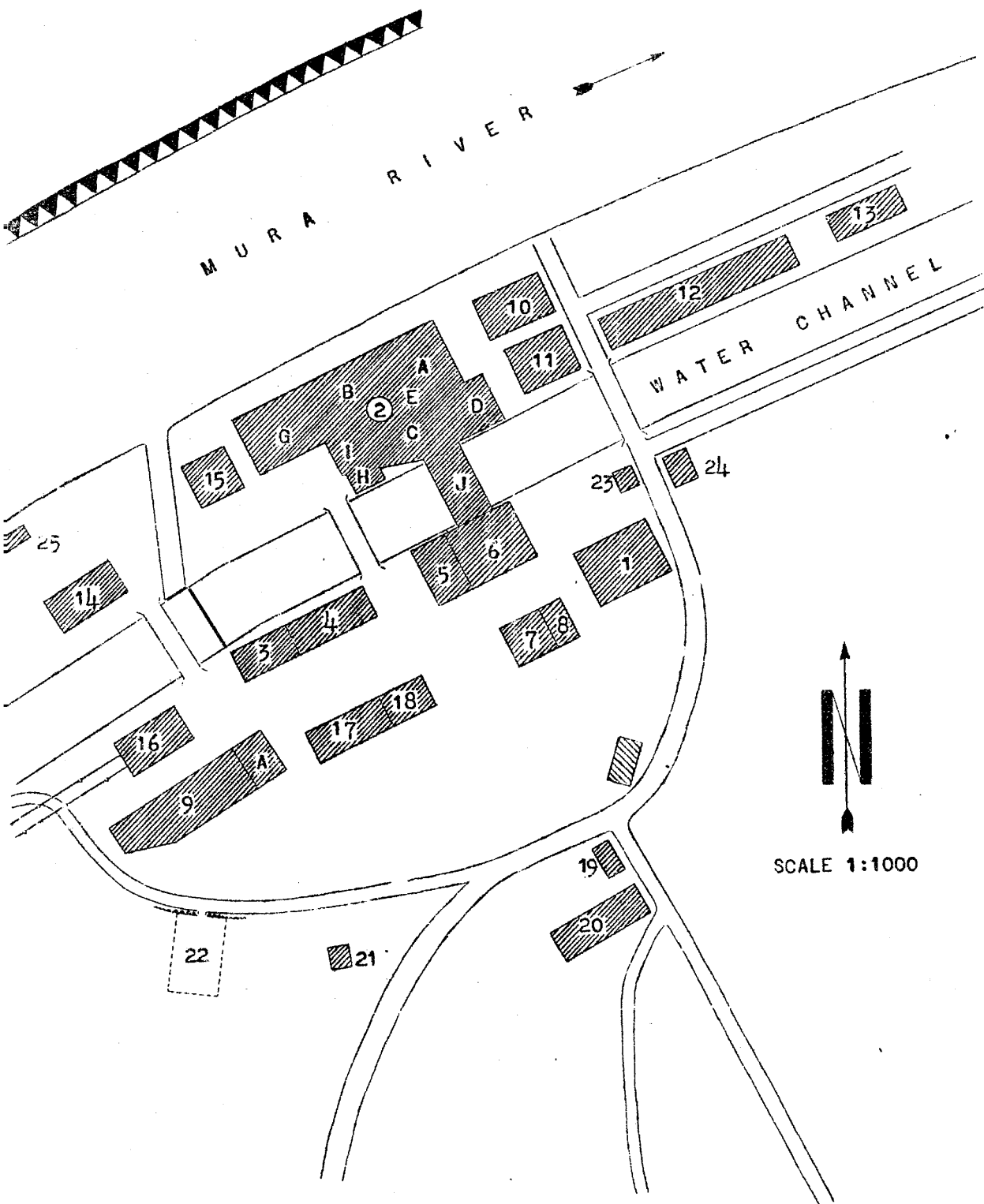
3. Cardboard pressing department equipped with seven Kallender polishing machines.
4. Cardboard drying department.
5. Heating installation equipped with two stoves and two boilers which supply the steam engines and the cardboard drying department.
6. Cardboard manufacturing department; two-story building. First floor is equipped with 10 Dekel machines and two hydraulic presses. Second floor is equipped with two pulp-grinding machines.
7. Lumber cleaning shop equipped with two Rindel wood cleaning machines.
8. Pulp-heating section, equipped with two boilers, each with 1000 liters capacity. The boiling process takes eight hours, after which the pulp is transported to Building 6 into the pulp-grinding machines.
9. Storage house and shipping department.
10. Raw material storehouse.
11. Cellulose storage.
12. Open air drying department for cardboard.
13. Sorting and storage department.
14. Raw material storage.
15. First aid station.
16. Funicular railway terminal. Various factory departments are connected with this station by a narrow-gauge track.
17. Carpenter shop.
18. Blacksmith and locksmith shop.
19. Factory sales store.
20. Workers' living quarters, one-story building, size 20 x 7 x 12 m., containing eight two-room apartments.
21. Factory guardhouse, permanently occupied by nine KNOJ guards.
22. Air raid shelter, capacity two-hundred persons.
23. Porter.
24. Dressing room for workers.
25. Shower and bathhouse.

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